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**DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT:** According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 21st/August, through Sunday, 28th/August there were 208 countries active.

Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

\* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

**3Y, PETER I ISLAND** (Update). A new press release was sent out this past week by Ralph/K0IR and Bob/K4UEE (Peter I Dxpediton co-leaders). OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete press release as an additional bulletin. Excerpts from the press release state that three new team members have been added to the 3Y0X DXpediton: Mel/W8MV, Don/N6JRL and Mike/FM5CD. They indicate that there are still a couple of team slots available, and they are especially keen to find a team physician to accompany them. If you have an interest, contact Bob, K4UEE at: [mallphin@aol.com](mailto:mallphin@aol.com). An inspection team have just returned from Punta Arenas and Santiago, Chile. They report that everything is on track for an early **February 2006**, activation of Peter I. The team should depart Punta Arenas around January 27th and return around February 25th. This will allow them to be on the island for about sixteen days depending on the weather and other factors. Fifteen members of the team will meet in

Atlanta for a training session scheduled for September 15-19th. Please visit their Web page, and if possible make a contribution toward the significant expenses of this DXpedition at:  
<http://www.peterone.com>.

#### **9/11 ACTIVITIES.....**

- The Pearl River DX Association will again operate W2WTC to commemorate the **4th anniversary of 9/11**. The club will operate throughout the month of **September** on all bands SSB only. Check out W2WTC on QRZ.com. Operators will be Hank/K2HJB, Kevin/KA2NUE, and Ira/KB2DJJ. QSL via W2WTC or K2HJB, direct (w/SASE) or by the Bureau.
- The Metropolitan 222 Amateur Radio Society (K2MET) will sponsor a **September 11th Memorial Station on Governors Island, NY (IOTA NA-026, USI NY-012 - new one for USI), September 10, 2005**. Operations will take place between 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM EDT (1500-2000z) on 21340 kHz, 14250 kHz and 7250 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL via W2SN.

**0T705 & 0T805, COSTA RICA** (Attention Prefix Hunters!). Carlos, TI8CBT, will activate new prefixes starting **September 1st through September 30th**. Look for special callsigns **0T805P** and **0T705G** to be on the air to celebrate the **184th anniversary of Costa Rica's independence**. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters including the WARC bands and 2 meters. Carlos states that the suffix "P" is for Puntarenas, Costa Rica, Zone 8, and the suffix "G" is for Guanacaste, Costa Rica, Zone 7. More details and a picture of the QSL card is available on QRZ.com.

#### **FRENCH SPECIAL ACTIVITIES.....**

- From **September 12-26th**, hams from the French Correze area will put on the air the special callsign **TM5MEM**. During these 14 days they will celebrate the "**French Heritage Days**." On **September 17-18th**, a station will be active, CW only, from the Partisans and Deportation Museum, Edmond Michelet, in Brive la Gaillarde. QSL via F6KLO, direct or via the French REF Bureau.
- **Now through September 10th**, look for **TM8CDX** to be active during and before the French DX Club and The Clipperton DX Club's (CDXC) 27th convention. This callsign will be used also by the members of the Provins ARC (F6KOP) during their entry in the IARU VHF Contest on September 3-4th. QSL via the French Bureau to Rafik, F5CQ, or direct to: Rafik Djandji, Les Revergis, F-35360 LA CHAPELLE DU LOU, FRANCE.

**FY, FRENCH GUYANA**. David/F0CRS and Freddy/F5IRO will be here for the next **four months**. Activity will be on the HF bands, CW and PSK. Both operators have asked for FY callsigns. They will be active from the Cayenne ARC (FY5KAC). Freddy is currently active as **FY/F5IRO** and David is awaiting his new "F8" callsign and is expected to sign **FY/F8\*\*\*** when he receives it. Both operators plan to be active in the next **French CW Championship** the last weekend of **January 2006 (28-29th)**; callsign TBA. QSL both operators via F5KIN.

**GD0, ISLE OF MAN**. The Manx Kippers will be active again during "**SSB Field Day**" (**September 3-4th**); in the Open Section (400w and beams category). The callsign will be **GD0EMG/P**. The team this time will be G3NKC, G4MJS, G4XUM and M0RHI. They will be active on 80-10 meters, as per UK rules, and welcome all QSOs. They will try to be active on

30m if time permits (they get many requests for activity on this band; before the IOTA Contest they made a number of QSOs, and they attempted to be active afterwards but had RF feedback problems). QSL to M0BEW.

**H40 & H44, TEMOTU PROVINCE AND SOLOMON ISLANDS.** Members of the Korea Amateur Radio League (KARL) will be celebrating their **50th anniversary** by going on a DXpedition to the Temotu Province in the Solomon Islands, between **November 5-11th**. Six operators will have two stations active on all HF bands 160-6 meters (including the WARC band) on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. The callsign **H40HL** has been requested (not confirmed yet) for their activity on **Nendo Island (OC-100)** in the Temotu Province. The operators mentioned are: Choi Jong-Sool/HL5FUA (member of Korea DX Club - KDXC), Gang Ho-Jun/DS2AGH (Team Leader), Yi Ju-Dong/DS2BGV, Yun Yong-Ju/6K2AVL, Yu Byeong-Jo/6K2DJM and Bak Yeong-Su/N1PW (ex-HL1PW). They will use five beam antennas, two kinds of vertical antennas and one dipole antenna. They will use the callsign **H44HL** (not confirmed yet) in the Solomon Islands (OC-047) before and after the operation in the Temotu Province. A Web site is now active with more details at: [http://kdx.net/h40hl\\_2005/](http://kdx.net/h40hl_2005/). QSL Manager is HL1XP. QSL via the bureau or direct to: Jeon Seong-Tae, 58-1 Nonhyeon-Dong Gangnam-Gu, Seoul, Korea, 135-815, REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

#### **IOTA NEWS.....**

- **AF-100.** NEW IOTA ACTIVATED! Joe, I2YDX, activated this new IOTA during the past weekend. Activity was from an island located on the Delta of Congo River, belonging to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and qualifying for IOTA NEW ONE. Joe got a special prefix/callsign for this operation: **9R2DX**. He was joined by a local ham from 9Q.
- **AS-100.** If you missed this past weekend's **4X0AI Akhziv Island** activity by Dov/4Z4DX and Alex/4Z5KJ (QSL via 4Z4DX), you will have another chance in September. Jan, 4X1VF, informs OPDX that he will lead a team to operate as 4X7AZ from Akhziv Island between **September 30th and October 1st**. They will have three complete stations on 80-10 meters CW/SSB. Operators mentioned are: 4X1VF, 4X6HP, 4Z1UF, 4Z4KX, 4Z5LA and 4Z5FI. QSL via 4Z4LA: Ruslan Bunyat-Zade, P.O. Box 345 D.N.Efrain, Barqan 44820, Israel
- **EU-038.** Vince, IZ0FKE, plans to be active as **PA/IZ0FKE** from **Texel Island** between **August 30th and September 2nd**. Activity will be on all HF bands, including 6 meters, SSB only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.
- **NA-092.** Bob, N2OML, will be active from **Mustang Island** (USI TX-011S, **Nueces County, Texas**), between **now and September 4th**. Activity will be mainly on 20 and 17 meters. QSL via his home callsign.
- **NA-NEW/ NA-175.** Bruce/KD6WW and Mike/K9AJ arrive in **Kugluktuk** (formerly Coppermine) on **August 31st** and will activate the **Kitikmeot Region-West Centre Group** (NA-175) first, then hopefully go on to the **Kitikmeot Region-West Group** (NA-NEW) next. There is considerable ice remaining in the Coronation Gulf from last winter, and their activation of the new one is contingent on improving ice and weather conditions. They will depart Kugluktuk on **September 7th**. Anticipated activity will be mostly on 20/30/40 meters on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. The callsigns will be **KD6WW/VY0** and **K9AJ/VY0** from both locations, so operators will need to pay attention to which island they announce they are on. QSL to each operator's CBA.

**KH6, HAWAII** (Special Event). Look for the USS Missouri's club station, **KH6BB**, to be active on **September 2-4th** to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Japanese surrender papers on board the battleship USS Missouri (on Sept. 2, 1945) in Tokyo Bay, formally ending World War II. The station's activity will take place between 0000-0600z and 1600-1800z. Their primary operating frequency will be on 14063 kHz CW. Depending on the propagation, alternate frequencies will be 18073 and 21063 kHz. There may be combined CW/SSB operations on 14263, 18163 or 21363 kHz. QSL direct to: Battleship Missouri Amateur Radio Club, 98-1547 Akaaka, St. Aiea, HI 96701-3051, USA. Check the KH6BB Web page event calendar for last minute details on times and frequencies at: <http://www.kh6bb.org>.

**MD4, ISLE OF MAN. MD4K** will be active again during the "**SSB Field Day**" (**September 3-4th**); in the Open Section (400w and beams category). The team this time will be G3NKC, G4MJS, G4XUM and M0RHI. They will be active on 80-10 meters, as per UK rules, and welcome all QSOs. They will try again to be active on 30m if time permits (they get many requests for activity on this band; before the IOTA Contest they made a number of QSOs; they attempted to be active afterwards, but had RF problems). QSL to G3NKC.

**OH0, ALAND ISLAND.** Ari, OH5DX, will be active as **OH0Z** during the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th)** as a Single-Op possibly as an All-Band or Single Band (TBD) entry. QSL via W0MM.

#### **QSL INFO AND NEWS.....**

- The log search with pictures of the recent **5X1B** and **5X1W** operations (August 3-12th) by JJ1CBY/Yuki and JA1DOT/Hisa are now available online at: <http://www.NDXA.jp/pedi/5x1w-2005/>.
- Hans, SM0BYD, informs OPDX that for direct QSL replies for **HZ1EX**, please QSL ONLY via SM0BYD (please - NO QSLs via SM0CXU!): Send 2 USDs OR 1 IRC, OR a prestamped SAE with a 10 kronor Swedish stamp which makes up for sufficient return postage. He also states, "Unfortunately, I still receive only 1 USD now and then and I don't think that I should pay for the postage or part of it, hi..." QSL via the Bureau is also OK as well. ADDED NOTE: Hans states that he will now accept IRCs. He was misinformed about IRCs being accepted in Sweden by an employee at his Post Office HQ in Stockholm!
- The correct QSL Manager for Berkin, **TA3J**, is TA3YJ. Some Polish radio amateurs have been using YL2GP as his QSL Manager which is incorrect.
- **NOT THE QSL MANAGER.** Jerzy, SP9FUU, has been receiving QSL cards for **V8NOW**. Jerzy has never been a QSL Manager of any station. QSL V8NOW to: Alias Hj Mohd Ali, No.6, Simpang 208-5, Kampong Manggis Dua, Jalan Madang BC3515, Brunei Darussalam, BRUNEI.

**RSARS CIS DX CONTEST 2005.** Jurij, MM0DFV, informs OPDX that there are new rules and date (**October 22nd**, 1000-2200z) for this contest. Visit the following Web page for details and the 2004 results at: <http://www.srars.org/cisdxc.htm>.

**SA50, SWEDEN.** The Amateur Radio Club at the Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm, Sweden, is celebrating their **50th anniversary** this year. They will participate in the **Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB)** from **September 24th** 1200z to **September 25th** 1200z

using the callsign **SA50L**. QSL via SK0BU.

**SOUTHEAST ASIAN TRIP.** Pete, SM5GMZ, will be back in Bangkok in the beginning of December this year for another six months working as a photo journalist mainly for the European news agencies but also for World Picture News (WpN) in New York. Even though work always comes first, during his free time he will be active on the air. Between **December 5-31st**, Pete will try to activate his Thai callsign, **HS0ZFI**, as much as possible. His operations will be on CW/SSB/PSK31 and RTTY. Starting **January 6th**, Pete will be back in **Cambodia** (XU) and will also try to make a few thousand QSOs (12K last time) with his Cambodian callsign **XU7ADI**. He will stay in XU for at least two months. Activity will be on all bands including 50 MHz and the same modes as above; CW/SSB/PSK31/RTTY. He also mentions that there may be a slight chance that he will activate Myanmar (XZ) and Laos (XW) as well. More details will be forthcoming.

**ST, SUDAN.** Jovica, T98A (ex. T94FC), will be on a **one year** United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) assignment to the Sudan. He has received the callsign **ST0RM**. Activity will be mostly CW on all bands, but also expect some SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via T93Y by the Bureau or direct to: Boris Knezovic, P.O. Box 59, 71000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

**ST, SUDAN.** Ado, W4ADO, has a two years contract with "Doctors Without Borders - Medecins Sans Frontieres" (MSF-USA) for work (technical support) in The Republic of the Sudan. He will arrive in Sudan on September 26th and will try to get an amateur radio licence. His activity will be on both CW and SSB. Ado states, "My first goal is to help people in Sudan and after that work on the radio". QSL will be via 9A6AA.

**T8, PALAU.** The following was a press release sent out by Tim Totten, N4GN, on Tuesday, August 23rd:

THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU - AN IDEAL DX HOLIDAY SPOT

Martti, OH2BH (**T88BH**) and Tim, N4GN (**T88GG**) AT IT AGAIN

Those in the game for some years will recognize the Western Carolines, KC6, as one of the regulars on the DX scene. It was in 1994 when the islands gained independence as T88, and this particular entity has been more difficult to reach from Europe and the United States ever since. Only a handful of locals and sporadic DXpeditions have kept Palau on the map. But no more.

Tim, N4GN, and Martti, OH2BH, have decided to challenge the matter and put two T88 signals on the air at the same time; T88GG mostly on CW and digital modes and T88BH on SSB. The activity begins on **August 25** and continues until **September 5**, including the **All Asian DX Contest** during the first weekend of September. QSL cards featuring this newly independent Republic can be obtained via Jarmo Jaakola, OH2BN: Kiiletie 5 C 30, Helsinki FIN-00710, FINLAND.

This DXpedition is supported by Vertex Standard (Yaesu) both in radio and manpower terms. Yuichi, JN1WTK/T88YK, will be on the team to make sure that you can hear the cleanest audio on the bands from the latest lineup of state-of-the-art Yaesu gear, but not around the clock as ladies are involved, too--Joana and Leena OH2BE/T88BE expect to establish a reasonable routine between radio and beach time while still guaranteeing that peak hours in both activities will not overlap as the path can be



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<http://www.api-japan.com/palau/radio/english/radio1-e.htm>.

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<http://palau.panpacific.com/>.

**TI0, COSTA RICA** (Special Event). Look for special event station, **TI0SP**, to be active in **September** to commemorate the **184th anniversary of Costa Rica's independence**. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters, including the WARC bands and 2 meters. Modes will be CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL will be via EA7FTR, only direct. More info is available on QRZ.com (type TI0SP).

**VP2, MONTSERRAT**. Look for Rick/G3VZT, his XYL Lynda/G0VDR and his 13 year old daughter Catherine/M3VZT to be active as **VP2MRJ**, **VP2MLJ** and **VP2MCJ**, between **October 26th and November 4th**. Rick states that he will be active as much as possible, but this is a holiday/business/family trip. Rick and his family are also expected to be active during the **CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th)** as a Multi-Single entry. He hopes to use the callsign **VP2M** as he did in the 1977 CQWW CW Contest. However, the VP2M callsign currently belongs to the Montserrat Radio Society. If they can't use VP2M, they will use Rick's old callsign **VP2MRJ**. QSL via G4WTD.

**ZB2, GIBRALTAR**. The United Radio DX Team is planning a new trip at the end October here. Their callsign will be: **ZB2/ON5UR** (Max), **ZB2/ON5MRT** (Thierry) and **ZB2/ON6NP** (Wim). Activity will take place between **October 27th and November 3rd** on all bands, SSB and Digital mode. They will be active also during the **CQ WW DX Contest**. QSL direct via: United Radio DX Team, P.O. BOX 33, Zichem B-3271, Belgium. All direct QSL cards will receive a special full color double QSL. Visit their Web page at: <http://www.on5ur.be/UR.htm>.

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